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PAINT LICK MILL DESTROYED BY FIRE

Midnight Blaze of Unknown Origin Causes Heavy Loss and Damages Garage Owned By T. S. Burnam

The plant of the Paint Lick Milling Company at Paint Lick, was completely destroyed by fire about midnight Wednesday night. The loss is estimated at \$6,000 or more, and it is understood that it was only partly covered by insurance. W. O. Anderson and his son-in-law, R. L. Hill, were owners and managers of the mill. The latter recently moved to Paint Lick to have active charge of the property. He was connected with the New Dixie Auto Company here for some time and has many friends here.

The origin of the fire is said to be a mystery in every way. A large garage close by the mill, operated by a Mr. Patrickson, was badly damaged. The building is owned by Mr. T. S. Burnam, of this city, and is said to be insured. The discovery of the fire created great excitement in the little city on the Garrard-Madison border. Every possible effort was made to check the flames but with out success, and the mill and its contents were entirely destroyed.

PAINT LICK

John Burgess, of Louisa, has been visiting his brother, U. M. Burgess.

Misses Sadie Ralston and Fay Ward have returned to Georgetown, after visiting home folks.

Rev. Joyce Chamberlain, of Wilmore has been visiting Rev. Young, of this place, and preached at Walnut Sunday.

The Quartette, the fifth number of the Lyceum, was given a Saturday night to a good and appreciative audience.

T. R. Kuhlman will open his stock of merchandise and go on in business. His many friends and customers will be glad to know he will continue to sell goods at Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Shepherd entertained the young people last Sunday at a dining and a candy pulling Monday night.

The graded school has improved the school grounds and now playing basket and base ball.

The many friends of W. S. Fish will be sorry to hear of his illness and hope he may recover.

Revs. Young and Vogle, of Berea, will begin a meeting at Walnut next Sunday night.

R. H. Ledford, of this place, went over to Paris Monday to hear Billy Sunday.

Luther Fish was over to Lexington to see his brother, W. S. Fish, who is so ill at this time.

John L. Coldiron has rented the blacksmith shop of Andy Thompson and will do horseshoeing and run a grist mill to grind corn.

COL. EPH. LILLARD DIES IN CHICAGO

Frankfort, Ky., April 7.—A telegram was received here last night by relatives announcing the death in Chicago of Col. Eph. Lillard. Col. Lillard was active in Kentucky politics for several years. He held the position of warden of the penitentiary here, and recently was in the office of the State Commissioner of Pensions. He represented Jessamine county at one time in the legislature.

He is survived by two sons and one daughter and his wife, who was Miss Bettie Noe. The body will be brought to this city for burial. Funeral services will be held Friday morning at the Christian church.

Col. Lillard was deputy internal revenue collector under Ben Johnson and storekeeper-gauger in the old Louisville Distillery under Atilla Cox. When the late Col. Jack Chinn, he was the late Gov. Wm. Goebel's body guard, and had just left him when the former governor was assassinated in front of the old Capitol building during Goebel's campaign.

paign. Lillard, Jack Chinn and Bob Franklin accompanied Goebel over the state singing "There's Trouble in the Land."

CONFESSES HE MURDERED ELWELL

Mystery of Famous Bridge Player's Death Last June May Be Cleared up By This

(By Associated Press)

Buffalo, N. Y., April 7.—Altho Roy Harris, alias Leonard, has not deviated from his original story of his part in the alleged murder last June of Joseph B. Elwell, wealthy New York clubman and widely known in Kentucky as a turf follower, Buffalo police today, after a careful analysis of his signed confession, said it did not exactly fit the facts, especially in regard to the time of the shooting and the calibre of the gun used. On the other hand Harris gives a wealth of detail about the incidents preceding the murder.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 7.—Roy Harris, arrested here Wednesday on a charge of forgery, signed a statement to the effect that he and another man killed Joseph B. Elwell, in New York, last June.

Harris says that he and a friend William Dunkin, were accosted on the street by a chauffeur they knew who told them that he had a woman passenger who might pay them well for a "job." They got in and drove about with the woman, who said her name was Mrs. Fairchilds, and promised them \$5,000 to kill Elwell. She gave them \$50 each on account and the next morning met them and drove them to Elwell's home on West Seventieth street, where she let them in with a key.

Harris alleges Dunkin shot Elwell. The woman, he said, gave them \$450 each and promised the rest of the money later. Harris says he never got any more and suspects that his pal double-crossed him. He fled the city when the tragedy excited such widespread interest.

The man has been staying at a hotel here with his wife since Tuesday. An acquaintance tipped the local police off that he was wanted in St. Catherine's Ontario, for alleged check forgery and he was arrested. As he was being brought into the station house he said:

"That check thing was all settled. I know what you want me for. It is the Elwell murder." Then, without much prompting, he dictated a statement and signed it.

A Man's Breach of Promise Suit

Lexington, Ky., April 7.—In circuit court here Wednesday Cornelius Chaney filed suit against Miss Mollie Mason for clothing and money he alleges he gave her when she promised to marry him last October, which promise he claims she failed to make good. He also asks for \$500 damages.

Danville, Ill., Democratic First Time in 50 Years

Danville, Ill., April 7.—The Democrats obtained a majority in the city council for the first time in 50 years Wednesday by electing a mayor, city clerk and two aldermen. Mayor Claude P. Madden defeated Colfax T. Martin, Republican, by 3,575 votes.

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FOUR KILLED IN ROYAL PALM WRECK

Southern Railway's Crack Florida Train in Smashup South of Somerset

Four Kentuckians Hurt

(By Associated Press) Cincinnati, April 7.—Two score of passengers, survivors of the wreck of the Royal Palm Limited passed through here today. All were suffering injuries, some trivial; others not seriously hurt but painfully bruised.

The correct list of the dead includes E. J. Bussey, of Detroit; F. E. Cook, of Orion, Mich.; William Park, of the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Michael Ramch, care J. F. Murphy Sons, Detroit.

The Kentuckians injured are E. B. McWilliams, of Shelbyville, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Perkins, of Louisville, and the train porter, C. Harris, of Somerset.

Lexington, Ky., April 6.—Four persons were killed and more than 25 injured when the Royal Palm, northbound train No. 2, the crack train of the Southern railway system, was wrecked just north of New River, Tenn., Wednesday afternoon at 2:40 o'clock.

The engine and tender and three coaches were overturned and three of the Pullman cars were derailed. None of the train crew was killed, all of the fatalities having been among the passengers.

The wreck was one of the most disastrous in the history of the Southern railway. It is believed to have been caused by the buckling of rails. The scene of the wreck is about 130 miles south of Lexington.

The dead are: F. E. Cook, Orion, Mich.; E. J. Bussey, Detroit, Mich.; F. Ramnich, Detroit, Mich., and W. M. Parks, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. Lillie King, of Opera Place, Cincinnati, is known to have suffered a wrenched back and H. Demming, Cincinnati, was cut about the face, head and lips.

Joe Kramer, of Chicago, and Harry Sickle, of St. Mary's, O., also were slightly injured.

Injured Wednesday night filled the Beard hospital at Somerset, where they were rushed on a special train. The bodies of those who were killed or who died of injuries were being held at Somerset by railroad authorities. Two of the person killed in the wreck were dead when removed from the wreckage. The other two died on the way to the hospital at Somerset.

F. E. Cook and W. M. Parks were dead when fellow passengers began their search through the wreckage for the injured. Mr. Parks was 87 years old and was an inmate of the Old Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids, Mich. Identification of the two who died shortly after the wreck was established by papers found on the bodies or by their baggage.

The special train bearing the bodies of those killed and the injured arrived in Somerset Wednesday night shortly before nine o'clock. Physicians were rushed to the scene by railroad authorities from Rockwood, Oneida, Somerset and Knoxville on special trains.

The Royal Palm, which is due in Lexington at 6:35 o'clock, was en route from Jacksonville to Cincinnati when the wreck occurred. The train, which is one of the fastest and best equipped on the Southern system, was loaded with tourists returning from Florida. The train was carrying through Pullman cars for Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis and Toledo, in addition to the regular day cars. Most of the passengers were from points north of the Ohio river, passengers being carried on the Ohio Special, which follows the Royal Palm.

All members of the train except one escaped without injury, the train porter being the only one who did not escape unscathed. He was badly shaken up. Engineer Miller, of Somerset, was running the train when the accident occurred. He and his fireman narrowly escaped death.

None of the Pullman cars were upset, though three of them were derailed. The three day coaches preceding them were completely overturned. It was in these cars that a majority of those who were killed or injured were riding.

DAUGHERTY WARNS ILLEGAL BUSINESS

Especially Building Material Trades to Mend Ways Soon or He'll Get 'Em

(By Associated Press)

Washington, April 7.—Attorney General Daugherty today sounded a general warning to business that the Department of Justice will countenance no violations of the law. He said the country "should take notice of a new day and a new way," and those guilty of illegal practices should no "close their eyes." He said that statement is a "modest but emphatic warning" to those for whom it is intended and could be regarded as an opportunity for any of those who should mend their ways, to do so.

He said he did not intend to harass business in any way but could proceed under the Sherman anti-trust law, now that the profiteering sections of the Lever act was declared unconstitutional.

Directing a warning particularly to illegal practices in the building material trades, he said an investigation will be undertaken at once in all parts of the country where necessary. He said reports from some sections indicated the building material situation intolerable.

ANOTHER BIG POSTAL ROBBERY

(By Associated Press)

Chicago, April 7.—An abandoned mail sack was found by police today and is believed to be a registered pouch stolen by bandits, from a mail truck late yesterday. It contained money, the wrappers indicating that from a half to three fourths of a million dollars were obtained by the robbers. It had been previously reported the loss would not exceed \$50,000.

ARGUMENT OVER POOLING OF WHEAT

(By Associated Press)

Chicago, April 7.—Delegates to the farmers' conference called to ratify the committee on a national co-operative grain marketing system split today over the compulsory pooling of grains. L. P. Bailey, chairman, of the Kansas wheat growers, declared compulsory pooling will only make the proposed system a success. R. C. Obrecht, another Kansan, asserted "the consuming public would not stand for throwing wheat into a pool to boost the market beyond what it will stand." The first session today adjourned without a vote.

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For Kentucky Bird Dog Owensville, Ky., April 7.—Warren Stoner, Mt. Sterling, Wednesday sold to a southern plantation owner a bird dog for \$1,000.

Mr. Taylor Improving

Friends of Mr. Calvin Taylor will be glad to know that he is still improving, and his physicians are greatly encouraged in regard to his condition.

Primitive Baptist Services

The Primitive Baptist will hold services at the court house Saturday morning, at 11 o'clock, and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and 7 o'clock p. m. Rev. J. N. Culton will conduct the services. 2t

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Winter Wheat Forecast

(By Associated Press) Washington, April 7.—The Department of Agriculture today forecast the winter wheat crop at 621,000,000 bushels, or 44,000,000 greater than the estimate at the same time last year, the fourth largest in history.

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NEGRO BOSS TELLS OF KILLING ELEVEN

To Save His Own Neck at Hands of Georgia Planter—Accused of Peonage

(By Associated Press)

Covington, Ga., April 7.—Fear for his own life was the motive that prompted Clyde Manning, negro farm boss, to help kill 11 negroes employed on the Jasper county plantation of John S. Williams, Manning told the jury Wednesday in the trial of Williams in Newton county Superior Court.

Manning said on cross examination that he did not want to help to kill the men, but feared to disobey Williams, who, he declared, was attempting to do away with the negroes for fear they might testify regarding alleged peonage conditions on the Williams farm.

"They wasn't a-bothering me," said Manning, a coal-black, short, stockily built negro of 150 pounds "and I didn't want to get 'em out of the way," but, he added later, "Mr. Johnny said: 'It's their necks or yours.'"

The negroes met death shortly after federal authorities started an investigation of alleged peonage on the farm. Six of them, according to Manning, were chained to rocks and thrown into rivers, and five were struck in the head or shot and buried on the farm.

Throughout an hour of cross-examination, Manning, who was indicted jointly with Williams, denied any pressure had been brought to bear on him to make him tell the story. It was only after long questioning by officers, he said, that he first told his story, but he denied he had been beaten, threatened with drowning or promised a light sentence, if he would help convict Williams, as the latter's counsel intimated.

Manning was the state's chief witness, and during his testimony the court house was packed to capacity. He seemed to be little affected by his recital and rarely changed the inflection of his voice. He is unable to read or write, he said, and is 29 years old, but does not know where he was born.

"When I first remember myself," he said, "I was in Jasper county."

During three hours of direct examination the negro told in detail of the alleged murder of the 11 negroes, giving his description in simple words. He was not asked to describe the alleged binding of the negroes who were drowned, but told how they were thrown off the bridges by himself and Charlie Chisholm, another farm hand, whom, he said, he later helped Williams drown.

"They was stubborn and a-begging," Manning said in his version of the death of Peterson and Willie Preston, "and me and Charley rolled 'em over the banister of the bridge."

These men, as were the others killed, he said, had been lured from the farm by Williams on the pretext that they were being taken to trains and would be allowed to return to their homes in Atlanta or Macon, where they had been taken from jail by Williams, who, it is said, paid their fines.

Peterson and Preston, Manning said, were bound together by a trace chain around their necks to which was fastened a sack containing about 100 pounds of brick. Their hands were bound together by wire, he said, Williams drove the automobile in which the negroes were carried, Manning testified.

Harry Price, another negro taken to be drowned, jumped off the bridge himself, Manning said, when he found there was no hope for him.

"Don't throw me over; I'll get over," Manning quoted Price as having said, and added that the negro with a cry of "Lord, have mercy," flung himself into the river.

Manning then went into the details of the alleged murder of other negroes, declaring one known on the farm only as "Little Bit," was induced to help lift "Red" Brown, another negro, over the bridge railing on the pretext that Williams merely wished to scare Brown. The latter, already weighted down, was dropped into the river, Manning said, and then he said he helped to send "Little Bit" to the same fate.

Another farm hand known only as "Big John," was induced to help dig his own grave on the pretext that he was digging a well and when the hole was about shoulder deep, Manning testified, Charley Chisholm struck the negro on the head, and he and Chisholm filled the hole. Manning continued his testimony until he had described each alleged murder in detail.

He declared Williams was present at the alleged drownings and had ordered the killings, when defense sought to make him admit he was the instigator in the alleged killings.

He said that on one occasion he had attempted to "break away" from the Williams place where he has worked for the last 14 years, said, "Mr. Johnny jumped on me and I ain't tried it no more."

Williams is on trial, charged with the murder of Lindsey Preston, one of three of the negroes alleged to have been brought into Newton county and drowned.

LOOKS LIKE FIGHT TO FINISH IN BRITAIN

(By Associated Press)

London, April 7.—Premier Lloyd George, in the House of Commons today, announced a complete break-up of the conference between the miners and the government, looking to the coal strike settlement.

The National Union of Railway men today unanimously decided to support the strike of the coal miners.

These events indicate that Great Britain is trembling on the verge of an industrial precipice. Some ray of hope appeared, however, when Chairman Clines of the Industrial Labor party pleaded with Lloyd-George to call the miners and owners together again.

HIGH SCHOOL LADS DEBATE TONIGHT

Tonight the Model and Madison debating teams will appear on the forum against each other. The question for discussion will be:

"Resolved, That the Several States and Congress Should Establish Courts With the Power of Compulsory Arbitration of Labor Disputes Between Employers and Employees of Public Utilities." The affirmative will be taken by the Model team, which will be composed of Henry Arnold, William Blanton and Leslie Evans, Jr. The negative will be defended by the Madison team, which will be composed of Harold Gabby, Edna Mullanix and Lafon Wilson. The debate will be held in the Normal chapel at 7:30 tonight.

Big Odd Fellows' Class

Harrodsburg, Ky., April 7.—Montgomery Lodge of Odd Fellows initiated 28 candidates Tuesday night. Harrodsburg team put on the initiatory degree and Danville team the first degree. J. H. Helburn, Eminence, grand master, and R. G. Elliott, Lexington, grand secretary, made addresses.

The Weather

Cloudy tonight and Friday, probably showers and cooler in west and central portions.

Today's Livestock Markets

Cincinnati, April 7.—Packers 25c lights 50c lower; tops \$10; Chicago lower; cattle quiet. Louisville, April 7.—Cattle 1000; slow an unchanged; hogs 1,000; 25c lower; tops \$9.75; sheep 200; steady and unchanged.

Today's Produce Prices

Eggs 17c to 19c doz
Hens 20 and 21c lb
Roosters 10c to 12c lb
Guineas 30c each
Turkeys 25c, 26c lb
Beef Hides 2c lb
Horsehides 50c to \$1
Old Scrap Iron 20c cwt
Jowls 5c lb
Shoulders 12 1-2c lb
Bacon 14c lb
Hams 20c lb

CHURCH LEAGUE IS UNDER WAY

Organization Effected Wednesday and Six Teams Are Expected to Take the Field

The Church Baseball League was launched at a meeting of a number of fans and players that was held in the Daily Register office Wednesday afternoon.

M. C. Kellogg was unanimously chosen president of the league, with power to appoint umpires and handle other details of the league's work. F. C. Gentry is acting secretary of the league, and W. S. Broadbuss was chosen official scorer.

It is planned to start the season next week if possible. President Kellogg, Mr. Gentry and Paul Burnam were named as a schedule committee to arrange the playing schedule and other details. It is hoped to arrange at least two games a week, and a tentative schedule of 20 games or 10 weeks' play was favored. Games will probably be played on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

So far, five teams are ready for organization, or are at least assured for the league. It is hoped to have a sixth, so as to make the schedule of games even all around. The teams and captains so far certain are:

First Christian Church—Paul Burnam, captain.

First Baptist Church—F. C. Gentry, captain.

First Methodist Church—Harry Bybee, captain.

First Presbyterian Church—C. A. Keith, captain.

Second Christian Church—Will Hackett, captain.

It is hoped to have the sixth team of the league organized either from the Catholic church or from the Calvary Baptist church. Just as soon as the schedule committee is ready to make recommendations, another meeting will be called and further details outlined. It is planned to obtain uniforms and full playing equipment as soon as possible. Box scores of the games will be published and the standing percentage kept. A sporting goods house has offered a silver cup to winner of the pennant in the league. All of the games will be played on the Normal school grounds.

In the hope of interesting the older men of the city in healthful outdoor sport and exercise, a rule was adopted that no youngster who is playing on the Normal nine, or the two high school teams shall be eligible to play on a team in the Church League. It is planned to get as many "has-beens" as possible back in the game, and make the sport as interesting as possible. It is probable that the ladies of the Pattie A. Clay Infirmary may be asked to sell season tickets to the games and the net proceeds will be donated to this worthy local charity.

HOLINESS PREACHER ARGUES HIS CASE

Declaring that he would lose his soul if he sent his two sons to school, Godfrey Isaacs, who says he is a Holiness preacher, made a long argument before County Judge Price Thursday in defense of his case. He was charged by Deputy Sheriff Will Johnson with violating the compulsory education law. One boy is 11 and the other is 13, and neither has ever been to school a day in his life. Isaacs lives near Bobtown and says he came to Madison from Jackson county. He entertained Judge Price with a long sermon on his beliefs. He declared that the Bible does not say a man must be educated. He admitted that he cannot read or write himself. He has practically nothing to support his children upon, so Judge Price filed the charge against him away, after telling Isaacs that the grand jury was liable to take his case up. Judge Price said the man had nothing to pay a fine out of, and to put him in jail would deprive his family of their only support.

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